IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 24, 2009, for which a shortened statutory period of three months for response ending September 24, 2009 has been set, the following amendments and comments are submitted and reconsideration of the claim rejections is respectfully requested.

The Applicants submit that this response is timely.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on Page 2 of this paper.

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